



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Merrit N. Jacobs Docket No. CDS0255
 Ronald F. Brookes
 Zhong Ding

Serial No. : 09/993,054 Art Unit: 3729

Filed : 11/06/2001 Examiner: Brian Gordon

For : ASPIRATING AND MIXING OF LIQUIDS WITHIN A PROBE TIP

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner For Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

August 30, 2006
 (Date of Deposit)

Todd J. Burns
 (Name of applicant, assignee, or Registered Representative)

/Todd J. Burns/
 (Signature)

August 30, 2006
 (Date of Signature)

DO NOT
 ENTER
 BE 9/8/06

Mail Stop: AF
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Amendment and Request for Reconsideration under 37 CFR 1.116

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 2, 2006, entry of the amendment and reconsideration are requested for the reasons which follow: